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SUBJECT: MBFR NEGOTIATIONS: JUNE 5 PLENARY SESSION

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1. BEGIN SUMMARY. AT THE JUNE 5 PLENARY MEETING OF THE MBFR NEGOTIATIONS, THE ONLY STATEMENT WAS DELIVERED BY THE POLISH REP (STRULAK). THE POLISH STATEMENT DOCUSSED ON REBUTTAL OF THE ALLIED TWO-PHASED APPROACH, AS MOST RECENTLY SET OUT IN THE MAY 30 PRESENTATION BY THE CANADIAN REP (REFTEL A). STRULAK STRESSED THE NEED FOR ALL DIRECT PARTICIPANTS TO UNDERTAKE COMMITMENTS FROM THE OUTSET ON THE AMOUNT AND TIMING OF THEIR REDUCTIONS. HE SAID THAT  
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COVERAGE OF ALL KINDS OF FORCES AND ARMAMENTS IN THE

AREA WAS EQUALLY ESSENTIAL IN THE EASTERN APPROACH.  
END SUMMARY.

2. AFTER PUTTING IN A PLUG FOR DETENTE IN THE MILITARY FIELD, POLISH REP REVIEWED EASTERN PROPOSALS MADE SO FAR IN THE NEGOTIATIONS. STRULAK CRITICIZED WESTERN RELUCTANCE TO AGREE TO REDUCTIONS IN DIRECT PROPORTION TO NUMBERS OF TROOPS WITH COMBAT EQUIPMENT. HE STATED THAT, FOR POLITICAL, MILITARY AND PUBLIC OPINION/PSYCHOLOGICAL REASONS, ONLY ACTIVE PARTICIPATION IN REDUCTIONS BY ALL DIRECT PARTICIPANTS, THROUGH EXPLICIT NATIONAL OBLIGATIONS, WOULD BE POLITICALLY EFFECTIVE AND MEET THE PRINCIPLES OF UNDIMINISHED SECURITY AND MUTUALITY OF OBLIGATIONS.

3. POLISH REP COUNTERED WESTERN CLAIMS CONCERNING THE DIFFERENTIATION BETWEEN US/USSR AND OTHER DIRECT PARTICIPANTS. HE STATED THAT NO SINGLE STATE IN ONE MILITARY GROUPING IS FULLY COMPARABLE WITH ANY STATE IN THE OTHER GROUPING, AS TO RELATIVE MILITARY WEIGHT IN THE AREA, SO THAT ALL MUST BE TAKEN AS ENTITIES. STRULAK SAID EASTERN FIRST STEP PROPOSALS PROVIDED THE NECESSARY CONFIDENCE FOR NON-US WESTERN DIRECT PARTICIPANTS TO ASSUME CLEAR-CUT REDUCTION COMMITMENTS. HE IMPLIED THAT THE STRESS AT RECENT NATO MEETINGS ON COMBAT CAPABILITIES OF WEST EUROPEAN STATES INDICATED WESTERN EUROPEAN RELUCATANCE TO UNDERTAKE EXPLICIT COMMITMENTS IN THE VIENNA TALKS.

4. POLISH REP CLOSED WITH REFERENCE TO JUNE 3 INFORMAL MEETING (REF B), COMMENTING THAT NON-US WESTERN DIRECT PARTICIPANTS WERE EVEN RELUCTANT TO INDICATE WHAT THEIR OBLIGATIONS MIGHT BE IN A SUBSEQUENT, SECOND PHASE OF NEGOTIATIONS. STRULAK STATED THAT THE SHIRKING OF RESPONSIBILITY BY NON-US WESTERN DIRECT PARTICIPANTS HAS BECOME A MAJOR OBSTACLE TO AGREEMENT AND STATED THAT THE ROAD TO PROGRESS STARTED WITH SOLUTION OF THE QUESTION OF WHOSE FORCES SHOULD BE REDUCED FROM THE OUTSET.

5. THE TEXT OF THE JUNE 5 POLISH STATEMENT WAS TRANS-  
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